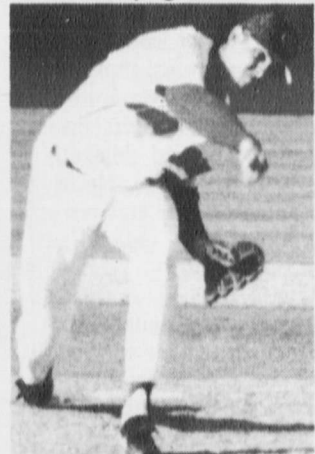


Headlines

Coffee capades: the jaunt for java

Tired of the same old fare, coffee with no flair? The DT's hippest coffee achievers have strayed from the beaten path to bring you the cream of the crop — or the cup. After all, it's never too late for latte.

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Trojans host first of three-game set

The USC baseball team opens the first of a three-game series against Arizona State tonight at 7 at Dedeaux Field. The Sun Devils swept three games from the Trojans earlier this year.

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Techno: grating and unmusical

The only good thing to come out of the electronic music trend is the improved accessibility of MIDI and synthesizer equipment. Techno, Michelle Ishida writes, shouldn't be considered music.

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F.Y.I.

Farewell concert tickets available

Tickets are available for the Daniel Lewis Farewell Concert at the Ambassador Auditorium.

Lewis will conduct the USC Symphony in a performance of Gustav Mahler's Sixth Symphony on April 22, 1995 at 8:30 p.m.

Tickets are available at the Ambassador Ticket Office or by calling (818) 304-6161. For additional information, contact Mary Reale at (213) 740-3233.

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The Fifth Annual ECO EXPO is scheduled for April 7-9 at the L.A. Convention Center.

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Daily Trojan

Union rallies for better contract



A union member narrates during a skit at the Local 11 campus rally Thursday.

Local 11's skit portrays administration vs. workers

By April Haitzuka
Assignment Editor

About 100 USC dining and housing employees and their supporters rallied Thursday afternoon at Tommy Trojan, acting out a satire which detailed their frustration with university contract negotiations.

Billed as "The USC You Never See," the three-scene skit, enacted by campus workers belonging to the Local 11 Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union, depicted the insensitivity of the administration in the negotiating process and the pitfalls of using non-union workers.

The union wants to speed up contract negotiations to address what it considers to be unfair terms before the spring semester ends. The terms include the unemployment of one-third of the Dining Services employees during the summer. They were replaced last summer by non-union workers who worked for \$5 an hour.

Maria Elena Durazo, Local 11 president and organizer of the rally, said she did not believe the portrayals of the administration were harsh.

"When we sit down and talk about the issues with the administration, they always tell us the university is looking for the cheapest way to do it," she said.

"This exposes it in the simplest terms possible." In the first scene, two members of the "USC Administration" discussed the ramifications of employing the union workers all year.

The audience booed the administrator dressed in a black graduation gown and rainbow cowl, who used phrases such as, "We need to run this place more like a business," and "Let's get some cheap workers in here . . . these people can live on air."

The second scene depicted non-union workers as slaves, chained to the contractor. When the workers complained about their conditions, the contractor threatened to fire and replace them easily.

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New director seeks cure for apathy

By Sara K. Goo
Staff Writer

Frustrated with low student participation and lack of public relations, newly appointed director of Program Board Sarah Szalavitz hopes to pull students out of their apathy and get them involved with program events.

Her first attack: PR. Szalavitz believes the Program Board must arm itself with a public relations director, rather

than relying on Student Senate for publicity matters, as it has done in the past.

"The purpose of Program Board is to make 'SC look good,'" Szalavitz said, and the lack of publicity prevents people from knowing what is going on.

Second on her agenda is the recruitment process, which Szalavitz hopes to improve by holding an Open House on April 18th where students will be able

to meet current directors of Program Board and ask questions about what they do. Many director positions will open next fall because of the large number of directors graduating this spring.

"I heartily recommend any students interested in student life to apply," Szalavitz said. "It's an exciting opportunity to teach leadership through Program Board that you carry

throughout your professional life."

When asked about plans for Springfest, the organization's biggest event of the year, Szalavitz said that the event's programming is "at crossroads."

Despite Program Board's huge efforts to get headliner Ice Cube to perform at this year's Springfest, attendance was lower than expected.

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Graduates elect 1995-96 Executive Board

Richard Groper chosen to chair, group renamed

By Laura Margoni
Staff Writer

In a dramatic increase from the 14 who turned out last year, 41 of the 50 members of the Graduate and Professional Student Senate met to elect the 1995-96 officers of the Executive Board.

The board's new officers hope to strengthen representation for graduate and professional students.

"There are upwards of 13,000 grad students (and) to overlook these people is a huge injustice," said Richard Groper, the newly-elected chair of GPSS.

"We (the GPSS) want to encompass all grad students at USC and make sure they have a voice in the things that decide their fate."

The officers of the GPSS Executive Board are elected by the legislative body of the GPSS, called the Full Board. The Full Board is composed of representatives from each graduate and professional degree-granting departments, as well as the current members of the Executive Board.

Four of the officers elected Monday night already serve on the current Executive Board. Groper, formerly the external liaison, will switch positions with Alberto Behar, the current chair. Apoorv Srivastava, now Member at Large, will fill the Communications Chair and Samantha Winch will

maintain her position as Programming Chair.

The other officers elected will be serving on the Executive Board for the first time. They are: Jeffrey Thompson as Finance Chair, Paul O'Donoghue as Cognitions (Newsletter) Editor, Jane M. Chong as Health Science Campus Liaison, Cindy Day as Elections and Recruitment Chair, and Liz Sakaldasis as Member at Large.

Christopher Larkins, current Elections and Recruitment Chair, organized the elections and said that he was very pleased with the results.

"The elections went a lot more smoothly than I thought they would," Larkins said. "There weren't any large, angry

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Latino Business Students Association: Salsa Party at 2636 Kenwood Avenue. Contact: Hector Lopez, 732-7410 or 427-8238.

USC Water Ski Team/Club: Meeting at the Lyon Center. All levels welcome. Contact: Sean Kelly, 381-7960.

Spanish Resource Center: "La Novela Negra Espanola Contemporanea; literary gathering & guest. D. Jose Ramon Diaz Penalva from the Univ. of Malaga. at 4 p.m., WPH Room B-29. Call 740-5896.

Saturday, April 8, 1995

Chess Club: Open meeting from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Cafe '84. Contact: Joseph Bautista, 747-9020.

USC Habitat for Humanity: House raising project from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., 1275 W. 24th St. Contact: Bonnie Holmes, 740-6843.

Trojan Sports Car Racing Club: Road Race at Willow Springs Raceway from 9 to 5 p.m. Racing admission: \$110.00. Contact: Ryan Flaherty, (818) 769-0130.

Sunday, April 9, 1995

School of Cinema-TV, Class 484: "Making It Work," original sitcom pilot by the students. Two showings, 1:30 p.m. & 5 p.m. at Carson sound stage. Contact: Hilary, 764-8297.

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• **LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Radio talk show host Ira Fiestell and his wife have pleaded innocent to felony hit-and-run charges filed after a fatal traffic crash in which Fiestell left the scene in a taxi and went to work.

Fiestell and his wife, Tonda, both 54, entered pleas Thursday before Municipal Court Judge Craig E. Veals, who ordered a May 9 hearing. The couple, free on \$20,000 bail each, face up to four years in prison if convicted.

Fiestell was arrested Feb. 17 at the end of his morning KABC show, some six hours after the crash that killed Jayna Banks, 16, of Culver City. Police said Fiestell was driving alone when he made a left turn into the path of another vehicle.

"There was apparently a minor impact at that time, but it caused the other vehicle to more or less go out of control and it struck a traffic signal pole and overturned," said Detective Mike Fischer.

Banks was thrown from the car and killed and the car's driver, Josh DeJean, 19, was injured, but Fiestell wasn't hurt.

Prosecutors said Fiestell got into a taxi about 30 minutes after the crash and went to work. He called his wife moments after the collision and she arrived in a taxi a short time later, telling police she was the driver of the Volvo, investigators said.

"This is not a case where someone was involved in an accident and immediately left the scene," Fiestell's lawyer, Robert Schwartz, said after Thursday's brief hearing.

National

• **NEW YORK (AP)** — Moammar Gadhafi says Libyan planes will soon defy a United Nations embargo and fly over neighboring countries, *The New York Times* reported today. The Libyan leader also threatened pull out of the international agency.

In an interview in the Libyan capital Tripoli, Gadhafi also told the newspaper he would retaliate if Egypt, Sudan and Saudi Arabia don't allow the flights, which he said would be carrying Muslim pilgrims to Mecca, Saudi Arabia.

Mecca is Islam's holiest site and millions of Muslims from around the world make pilgrimages there every year.

"If the Libyan planes are shot down or destroyed, or anything happens to these pilgrims, then it will mean that the Prophet's tomb is under the control of the United States and that Saudi Arabia is not an independent country," he said, referring to the Prophet Mohammed.

The United Nations banned flights to and from Libya in April 1992, after Libya refused to extradite two Libyans wanted in the 1988 bombing of a Pan Am jet over Lockerbie, Scotland. The bombing killed 270 people.

The embargo has forced Libyans to travel by land in order to catch flights in neighboring nations.

Egypt, Sudan and Saudi Arabia have abided by the 3-year-old ban.

Gadhafi also threatened to withdraw from the United Nations, saying the world body has become an instrument of the French, British and Americans.

World

• **DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP)** — The 500 residents of one village Hillary Rodham Clinton visited during her South Asian tour decided to remember her by changing the name of the town.

"Hillary Para" is the new name of Rishi Para village. Mrs. Clinton met there Monday with poor women who run small businesses with loans from a rural bank.

On Wednesday, Mrs. Clinton concluded her 12-day tour of Pakistan, India, Nepal, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka.

"Each country I visited offered unique insights into the challenges and successes we share as individual nations and as a global family," Mrs. Clinton said in a farewell statement in Colombo, the capital of Sri Lanka.

"My brief stay in South Asia has further convinced me that our relationships must go beyond economic ties to embrace a greater concern for women and children who play such a vital role in the political, social and economic life of every nation."

• **BEIJING (AP)** — A treatment using traditional Chinese medicines has revived dozens of people from comas, including one man who was unconscious for five years, the official media reported Wednesday.

The Recovery Hospital in northeast China's Heilongjiang province has treated 38 people with the medicine and all regained consciousness, hospital director Wang Dawei told the Xinhua News Agency.

The therapy uses medicine that promotes blood circulation and acupuncture, said the report, which did not give details.

Roundup

The USC Department of Public Safety reported the following incidents:

- On Wednesday, April 5, at 11:17 a.m., a petty theft was reported at Parkside Apartments. A suspect removed a secured bicycle from a bike rack.
- At 1:31, a petty theft was reported at Leavey Library. A suspect entered an unsecured area and removed nine signed blank checks.
- At 3:47, threatening phone calls were reported at Stauffer Hall of Science. A suspect made a threatening telephone call to a staff member at her office.
- At 8:53, a burglary from a motor vehicle was reported at Lot V. A suspect smashed the driver's side window to gain entry and removed a cellular phone.
- At 10:24, a non-USC battery was reported at 1013 W. 30th St. Two suspects broke a window to gain entry to a residence and began striking the resident. DPS officers responded and arrested the suspects. The suspects were transported to LAPD Southwest Division jail for booking.
- On Thursday, April 6, at 12:05 a.m., outstanding warrants were reported at 1013 W. 30th St. DPS officers arrested a suspect for outstanding warrants and transported her to LAPD Southwest Division jail for booking. There was no USC involvement.
- At 2:32, a fire alarm was activated at Pardee Tower. DPS officers and LAFD responded to a second-floor fire alarm activation. LAFD determined that smoke from fireworks activated the alarm. LAFD reset the alarm and cleared the building for re-entry.

For the record

The March 27 issue of the *Daily Trojan* contained incorrect information about a fundraising volleyball tournament. Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity was raising money for Operation Rescue Kids homeless youth recovery program and its House of Help projects. David R. Mitchell, vice-chairman of the national board of directors of Operation Rescue Kids, was incorrectly referred to in one of the photographs as the president.

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Rally: Students join in to show support

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To signify the university's relationship with the contractor, the robed administrator clapped the well-dressed, cigar-smoking, whip-toting man on the back.

In the final scene, the union workers confronted the administration. The administrator in the graduation gown held up a sign which represented USC's "Strategic Plan," a 15-page document which, among other things, touts the university as the "largest private employer in the city of Los Angeles."

One of the union workers snatched the sign from him, crumpled it up and threw it back in his face, accompanied by a roar of applause and cheering.

Although the second and third scenes were performed mostly in Spanish, a narrator came out between scenes to summarize the ideas in English.

Student members of Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan ascended to the platform to affirm their support of the union workers.

"We're not scared of them," said Estevan Leyva, head of MEChA. "They can't kick us out like they can you."

After the rally, the union workers and their supporters marched around the campus wearing bright red Local 11 placards.

"During the summertime, it's hard," said Pedro Torres, a re-



Julie Gargan / Daily Trojan

A union member introduces the skit's "Administration" vignette.

ceiving clerk for Cafe '84. "Sometimes I don't have another job."

Torres said he finds work at places like McDonald's, but it's a burden to look for a job while running a household.

Housing and Dining Services employees were joined by their Local 11 counterparts from the community.

Randy Williams, a waiter at the Omni Hotel downtown and a Local 11 member, said he felt the skit was well done, and that it hit "the heart of the problem."

"It's disappointing," Williams said. "USC does a lot of social work in the community, and now they're letting down their own workers."

Williams said he was involved in a similar fight to keep his job at the hotel a few months ago. Thirty-five people were arrested when workers blockaded Figueroa Street, he said.

Although the current dispute only affects one-third of the Dining Services workers directly, Durazo attributes the intense involvement to the fact that the issue affects all members.

"They start with one-third now, but they may find ways to subcontract the others," she said.

Durazo said Local 11 plans to have another rally soon in order to resolve the dispute before summer.

GPSS: Group seeks to increase visibility

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disagreements."

Larkins said the main concern among the candidates was how the budget should be allocated, and how administration should be run. Otherwise, all the candidates agreed when it came to the issues of clarifying and simplifying funding procedures, and increasing communications.

Larkins attributes the lack of contention on issues to the fact that the GPSS is an "organization on the upswing."

The GPSS, formerly known as the Council of Graduate and Professional Students, was formed four years ago as a reaction to the feeling that the concerns of graduate students weren't being met under the auspices of the Student Senate.

To accomplish its goals, Groper said the GPSS needs to increase its visibility and become a presence on campus.

"The name change is the first small step," Groper said.

Funding is a major goal of the GPSS, which allocates a certain amount of money for individual graduate and professional degree-granting department programming, joint programming between departments, and separate graduate student organizations.

"We're like the bank," Groper said, "We hold money for them."

Besides funding, the GPSS also provides information on how to get fellowships and tries to foster relations between graduate students who would otherwise never meet.

"We want to provide not just a professional atmosphere, but a social one as well," Groper said.

As the new Chair of the Executive Board, Groper said that one of his primary goals and one of the major goals of GPSS is the development of a more coherent

and equitable policy on student health insurance.

Cindy Day, a graduate student in Education and newly-elected Elections and Recruitment Chair, also said she feels the need to make GPSS' presence known.

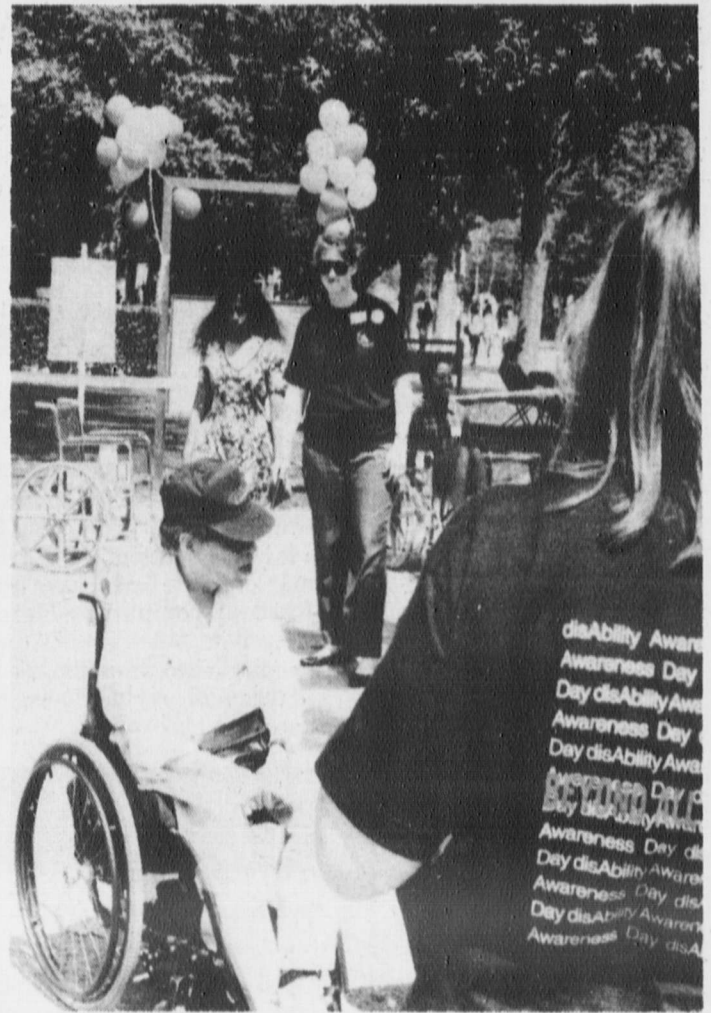
"My first meeting was the election meeting," Day said. "I had never heard of (the GPSS) before I saw an ad for it in the Daily Trojan. I was curious as to what it was, so I picked up an application."

Day said the organization is different from any she has ever been in.

"It's an interesting group," Day said, "and everyone has to come together to achieve a common goal. We have to make grad and professional students aware that it exists and that it can greatly benefit them."

For more information on the GPSS, contact the office at 740-5649 or visit STU 106.

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Szalavitz

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In the future, Szalavitz would like to see Springfest become an all-day music event, similar to the festivities of Homecoming and possibly serving as a benefit.

Szalavitz has been actively seeking leadership and university involvement opportunities, since her freshman year, making her one of the most visible people in campus activities.

"You couldn't have hidden Program Board from me," said Szalavitz of her motivation to become involved.

On top of her cumulative 3.65 grade point average, Szalavitz is currently chair of the speakers committee for Program Board, vice chair of Trojan Democrats, member of the Womyn's Student Assembly, a Norman Topping Scholar, and a member of many volunteer groups.

"She has always been a top notch individual qualified in every way," said Ricardo Aldape, director of financial and administrative affairs at Program Board. "(She will) push Program Board into a new direction next year."

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Resolution for union dispute needed soon

The Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union Local 11, which represents 320 employees in USC's housing and dining services, was out in force at Tommy Trojan Thursday afternoon to protest what they see as a move on the part of the university to delay contract negotiations until summer jobs are already lost.

Yesterday's front page article reported that though the terms of the union's prior contract allow negotiations to begin 90 days before the contract expires — in this case, June 30 — the university plans to wait until the bulk of students have left campus before beginning the proceedings.

The Local 11 issue has headlined at various points in the past five years. In this case, workers are justifiably scared that the delay before negotiations will leave them without work for three months.

Due to the lack of activity on campus in summer, many housing and dining workers find themselves temporarily unemployed unless they are supervisors.

"We got a job and we (shouldn't) have to worry about it every year in the summertime," said Charles Brooks, a cook for Dining Services.

Brooks concern is valid: in 1994, the university laid off nearly a third of its union employees and replaced them with outside cleaning and maintenance contractors who were paid \$5 an hour without medical benefits, Local 11 President Maria Elena Durazo said. Union workers lobbied successfully in the past for medical benefits, but those cease during summer for all but supervisors.

An unfortunate side effect, according to Susan Schroeder, spokeswoman for the Employment Development Department of California, is that the Local 11 members are not considered unemployed during summer and therefore unemployment benefits are not applicable.

While the dilemmas of housing and dining workers may seem of little import to students, one should remember that they provide valuable and necessary services. A large number of students and faculty reside in USC housing, and most students utilize campus dining facilities.

Also, USC's policy should be viewed in terms of its effect on the surrounding community, the home of most Local 11 employees. While the university has reiterated its promise to invest in the community, its action to delay negotiations at the possible cost of union jobs seems contradictory.

If the university has valid reasons for delaying the negotiations until the end of the semester when they could be going on today, according to the contract's rules, it has yet to clearly state them. Until it does, there will be more and more picketers at Tommy Trojan.

Viewpoint

Stamping out techno's droning beat

Techno music has been the trendy musical rage for a while. You've all heard it at clubs, radio stations and bar mitzvahs, and like all trends, it is finally starting to die off. Why it has lasted as long as it has is something that has baffled this mind for a long time. I have yet to see why a bunch of computer-generated sounds clumped together with a driving rhythm are categorized as music, and am glad to see that music is finally going back to what I classify as "real" music.

Michelle
Ishida

Editorial Columnist

Real music is music that uses real musicians, with real chords, and more than one word repeated over and over and over. Real music is the kind you can hum in the shower; I have never had any luck humming a techno song in the shower, and believe me, I have actually tried.

Sure, I admit, it's great fun to dance to, but when you're in your car going to school, techno music doesn't exactly put you in the greatest of moods. Droning chords being almost literally beaten into your head isn't my idea of good, fun, relaxing, driving music.

I'm not saying that the only music one should listen to in the car is James Taylor and KOST 103.5 (shameless plugs #1 and 2), but I believe that music is very influential in shaping the kind of mood you are in for the entire day, and techno music always puts me in a sour mood because I always have a headache after listening to it — or maybe it's from all the horns of the angry drivers I leave in my wake.

One thing I must say for techno music, though: if it had never evolved, musicians would still be, technologically, in the dark ages. Synthesizers and MIDI systems nowadays are stacked with computer technology,



Constantine Near / Daily Trojan

and they would have never been accepted into the mainstream if techno music had never become popular. Nowadays, you can buy a synthesizer with a MIDI hookup, and what's really interesting is that, in some systems, the 'saxophone' programmed sound is actually recording artist Kenny G (shameless plug #3). You don't even need to buy any of his CDs, like "Forever in Love" (#4) anymore, because all you have to do is just fin-

ger the notes on the MIDI, and it will sound just like him! Hey — this could be a good thing.

Getting back to techno and why it's dying: it's a trend — it's supposed to die after a period of time. It may be multi-million dollar popular, but one of these days, people are going to get sick of it, realize its futility, get extremely bugged by its irritating qualities, (See Techno, page 5)

Bad TAs roadblocks on education path

Please don't misunderstand me when I say that we as students are in dire need of more motivated, organized and insightful TAs. I have thought about the fact that quality TAs mean quality dinero, so I guess that I should either put up or shut up. I don't mean to sound insensitive to the fact that being a TA can be difficult for the majority of majors, but seriously, this is my future that people have the power to play with.

Recently in one of my classes my TA turned all of my assignments back to me with stupid explanations for the problems she had found in everything that I had written. She insulted me to the bone. She treated me like I was re-

tarded and insulted my intelligence. I was not too enthusiastic about this, so now I'm about to go to the class and talk to the professor, which I feel like I shouldn't have to be

Raquel
Waight

Editorial Columnist

doing, not only because I have no time to sleep, but because I should not have to go through these kinds of hassles.

Another concern is the problem of the level of respect between TAs and students. Many times there is no respect, which I feel is very important to demand from the

TAs. The other day I was in my anthropology class watching a film; the sound was annoying, and I commented to a guy sitting next to me that maybe they should just go ahead and do the best thing, and turn the thing off. One of the TAs from the class overheard what I said, looked at me sternly, and said "There's the door." Really, I think that was a little bold, not only because I could have showed her where the door was, with my fist, but also because she leaned in on the conversation without any sense of humor whatsoever. Not only this, but she finds absolutely nothing funny. I was just insulted and upset.

I went home and thought about the whole scenario, and

decided that I wouldn't say anything to the professor about what happened because it might cause her and me to have conflict that I really don't have time for.

Then I saw a vision of my diploma flying away, and I almost died. I thought to myself, "I have to put up with all of this crap simply because I am chasing after a diploma." In the midst of all of this daily drama, will I ever get it? As my best friend mentioned the other day, "When you give up on your long-term goals, that's when you give up on having a quality life." I agree, I guess, and I'm still here dealing with the minor delays and setbacks.

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Letters

Facetious article raises ire, draws serious response

Shame on the *Daily Trojan* for providing a forum for the explicitly racist views of the DT's own Wes Biggs. In his article ("Membership has its privileges," *Viewpoint*, April 5), Biggs writes, "I'm white, but like most . . . I feel sorry for minorities, the people that have been oppressed by my kind throughout history. I realize that it's partly my fault that they're so stupid, poor and seemingly useless, and I'm eager to equalize things" (emphasis added).

Biggs has made an awesome beginning by putting forth such a stupid, intellectually impoverished and useless opinion. How he justifies such asinine assertions is unclear, but I suppose that reflects his lack of foundation for the views he so unfortunately holds in this area.

I am, embarrassingly, of Biggs' "kind". Yet I have not found, as he asserts, that being white has been a barrier to my acceptance at state-run universities or anywhere else. If Biggs finds that he is having difficulties of this nature, perhaps he should examine his own inadequacies and deficiencies academically and personally before seeking out weak justifications for the failures of our "kind" in the ethnicity of others. I am certain that he would find more accurate explanations for the problem he describes.

While not disputing Biggs' and the DT's constitutional right to offer up such offensive material, I believe that a retraction and an apology are in order from the author, and that the DT should openly disavow any connection with such deroga-

tory remarks about so many valued members of the USC community.

Donn Christensen
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The author responds: The article referred to was written sarcastically and the intent of the above quotation was to illustrate the condescending and often racist nature of certain arguments for affirmative action.

Olah won't be an anomaly for commencement

According to the April 6 *Daily Trojan* ("Letters"), some of the student leaders of the class of 1995 are disappointed to have a Nobel Laureate deliver the 1995 commencement address and have demanded that in the future the speaker come from outside the Trojan family. These students claim that "traditionally a commencement address is delivered by an individual who is not a part of the university family."

If these students had checked the facts, they would have discovered that the USC commencement speaker often comes from inside the Trojan family. At many other prominent institutions, the commencement speaker is expected to be from the university family. A number of institutions have even abandoned having a commencement speaker altogether.

I do not know what motivated the student leaders' demand, but the demand does not appear to have been adequately researched.

Kenneth L. Servis
former University Marshall

Murder's murder even when done by homophobes

In the April 5 issue of the *Daily Trojan*, Nik Trendowski wrote about the murder of Scott Amedure ("The Last Stall: Spanking the Monkey See, Monkey Do"). The article's tone was angry, and rightfully so, but in the author's anger perhaps a deeper message was lost.

Here are the details of the story: Scott Amedure fell in love with a straight and unfortunately homophobic man named Jonathan Schmitz. The two then made an appearance on "The Jenny Jones Show," where Amedure was introduced as an admirer of Schmitz. Schmitz was upset to find that his secret admirer was a male (the show had told him that it was a female). Following the show, Schmitz killed Amedure and then turned himself in to the Oakland County police.

As a gay man, perhaps it is foolish to fall in love with a straight man. But it is foolish because that love will be unrequited, not because one should fear that their object of affection will come and kill them. Trendowski stated in his article that gay men do not inherently want straight men. This is true because gay men want to be loved, and loving a straight man is counterproductive, but this statement is not relevant here. Scott Amedure loved Jonathan Schmitz; he loved a straight man. Jonathan Schmitz murdered Scott Amedure.

There can be no rationale here. No matter how immoral Schmitz thought Amedure was, no matter how disgusted he might have been by Amedure's love, he did the ultimate wrong:

he killed another human being.

I don't know what other people think about homosexuality, and I do not especially care. Killing another human, except where life is at stake, cannot be condoned. Jonathan Schmitz is not the killer of a gay man, he is just a killer. It can be heard from numerous constituents of the religious right that society is collapsing when homosexuals are tolerated. I believe here that the converse is more obviously true.

Several straight women have fallen in love with me and unfortunately for them it will never be requited, but I have no fear of them. I do not kill them in a fury of fear and insecurity. Rather, I

respect them and explain that nothing can ever come of their love. They then do not kill me. Instead, they usually respect me.

The world can be a good and perfect place, but not when we kill each other for the crime of unrequited love. The world will always have homosexuals, and it will always have diverse things that sometimes we do not like or do not agree with, but we must as a society overcome our numerous fears if we are to survive.

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Techno: This 'music' is thankfully a dying trend

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and stop listening to it. Remember New Kids On The Block (before they became N.K.O.T.B.)? It is only natural that people are listening to "real" music — though techno is good to dance to, it's just not pretty.

I admit, I like my music to be pretty, to a certain extent. I like hearing the interesting harmonies, chords and voices. I like getting goosebumps listening to Bass, from Boyz II Men (shameless plug #5) pulsate his smooth voice through the amps into my heart. I extend this challenge to anyone willing to accept it — quite honestly, I have never been aroused while listening to techno. Maybe it's just me.

There are two major distinctions between techno and real music, and those are the instruments and the final product. You don't need a technological wizard to record real music (though it may help), but with techno, there are a million little frequencies, turntables and technical matters that need to be understood in order to mix two minutes of "music".

Real music, to me, is everything but techno, which includes jazz, hip hop, rap, R&B,

alternative, pop, disco, new age and the others I've forgotten to mention, even country. The final product of real music is something that you can listen to anywhere, not just at crowded dance clubs with lights flashing and minds slightly spinning. It is something you can enjoy in the privacy of your own Sony Walkman (#6). While all people have diverse tastes in music and don't all listen to the same thing everytime, I would hate to think that music could only be heard in one setting because it's irritating in all others.

The trend of techno music is dying — people want to go to clubs and see real people playing real instruments, and just enjoy the music by itself, without having to rave in a smoke-filled club every time because it's too irritating to listen to it without that exact setting distracting you from the constant drone of the computer-generated sounds. I, for one, am glad because while I enjoy dancing and raving to it, I just can't stand it any other time — it gives me a headache.

Michelle Ishida is a sophomore majoring in music performance.

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- 1 Unembellished
- 9 Breakfast cereal pioneer
- 15 This could have been fixed
- 16 Farmhand
- 17 Rude
- 18 Bring about
- 19 Words with hole or two
- 20 Very unpopular
- 22 Actor Chaney
- 23 Bad-mouth
- 24 Scavenger hunt participant
- 26 Market
- 27 Son of Adam
- 29 Debutante, for one
- 30 #1 song for the Association, 1967
- 31 Part of Cousteau's world
- 33 Candy
- 35 Beat it
- 36 Beat it
- 37 Kind of radio program
- 40 Brunel's island
- 43 Intimate center
- 44 Representation
- 46 Cobras
- 48 Over
- 49 Golf club feature

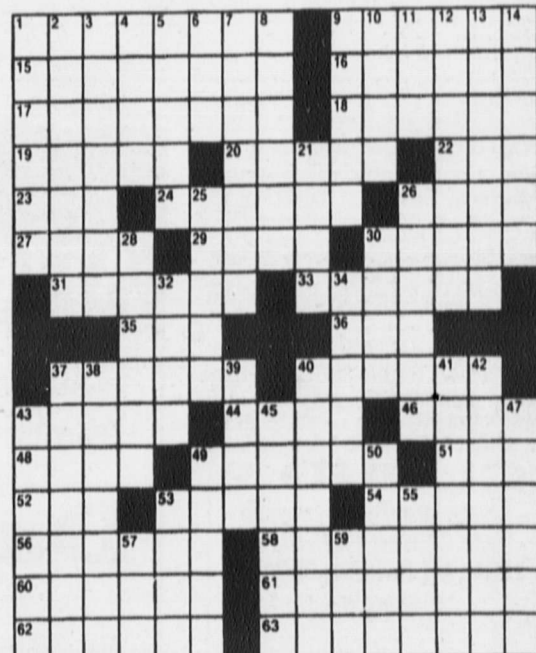
- 51 Kind of brain
- 52 Road map abbr.
- 53 Output
- 54 With
- 56 Go—
- 58 Health club employee
- 60 Force out
- 61 Departures
- 62 Brews
- 63 Tie

DOWN

- 1 Cuttlefish kin
- 2 Bluefins
- 3 Comeback
- 4 Radio-controlled aerial bomb
- 5 British—
- 6 Alphabet trio
- 7 Impetuous one
- 8 Pinches
- 9 Colonial newsman
- 10 Proceed
- 11 Steno's need
- 12 Sumptuous
- 13 Supports, in a way
- 14 Up-to-date
- 21 Actress Harper
- 25 Tropical resin
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Track will head to two different meets

By Akkia Pride
Staff Writer

The USC track and field team will split up and participate in two different meets on Saturday.

Sprinters and hurdlers will be sent to the UNLV Track and Field Invitational, while throwers will compete at UC San Diego.

Track events are scheduled to begin at UNLV at 12:15 p.m., while the UC San Diego meet will start at 11:00 a.m.

At the UNLV Invitational, the Trojans will be competing against Southern Utah and Michigan State.

USC Coach Ron Alice doesn't consider these teams to have the same caliber of talent as the teams the Trojans competed against UNLV, Southern Utah and Michigan State.

"I don't know whether they're strong or weak, but I know they're not as strong as last week," Alice said. "My out-

side observation is that they're not as strong."

Alice views Michigan State, led by high hurdler Ramsey Watkins, as the most competitive for the men because they are a Big Ten school.

Judy Fraser, a three time All-American in the 200 and 400 meters, will lead the Runnin' Rebels, the school Alice observes as the closest competitors for the Women of Troy.

"I think we'll do fine," assistant coach John Johnson said. "They're in good shape and they're ready to go."

The Trojans will be led by hurdlers Sau Ying Chan and Kehinde Alade'fa, sprinters La Tima Jones, Udem Ekpenyong and Marcus Carter and long jumper Glory Dolphin.

At San Diego, Roman Slobodskyj, Carrie Martin, Chrissy Mills, Nils Fearnly and Chad Danowsky will represent the Trojans in the throwing events.



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The USC track and field team goes two different directions on Saturday, travelling to UC San Diego and UNLV for its meets.

Women's tennis drops to No. 25 with a bullet

Burt displeased with ranking as USC heads to Bay Area

By Terry Brown
Staff Writer

A schedule heavy with big hitters has the USC women's tennis team dropping in the rankings as it travels north to take on No. 10 California and No. 7 Stanford over the weekend.

The Women of Troy (6-9) have, thus far, lost to seven teams ranked ahead of them: Arizona, Arizona State, Pepperdine, William & Mary, Texas, Duke and UCLA.

USC has defeated No. 20 San Diego,

No. 40 San Diego State and No. 17 Arizona State, yet has fallen from No. 13 to No. 25 after losing last week to No. 4 UCLA.

"The ranking system is always changing," USC Coach Ed Burt said. "And now they're supposed to be taking into consideration a team's schedule, but the math is just not working out."

In order to avoid regional play for entrance into the NCAA championships, the Women of Troy must climb into the top 20 for an automatic berth, which doesn't bode well for a team whose next six opponents rank in the top 20.

"We're being punished for having a good, tough schedule," Burt said.

It's a schedule that has the Women of Troy going against the Bears (8-4) today at 1:30 p.m. in Berkeley and against the Cardinal (14-2) at 1 p.m. in Palo Alto on Saturday.

"It's a struggle for the girls right now," Burt said. "But they played UCLA really close, which was a healthy sign. We have a legitimate shot to beat either of these teams if we can keep our confidence level up."

Cal has four players ranked, from No. 10, Jennifer Poulos, to No. 73, Miko Ando. Stanford has six players ranked between No. 12, Katie Schlakebir, and No. 82, Julie Scott.

USC is led by Suzie Italiano, who is ranked No. 84 in the nation.

Scrimmage: Robinson will not be evaluating players

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Even though it is called a scrimmage, Robinson will not use it as a way to evaluate players.

"If we had this thing in mid-spring practice we probably would look at the competition," Robinson said.

I think it's interesting to see young people in a full competition with people around and all of that. I don't look and evaluate and use that as an indicator of where we are."

Entering spring practice, USC knew it had a strong group of running backs. During spring camp, Robinson said the backfield continued to impress, showing maturity and depth.

Volleyball: Lost to Bruins in UCLA Classic last season

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With four more MPSF matches on the Trojans' schedule, and USC on the verge of either making the MPSF championships or falling out still to be decided, the Classic is not seen as too important.

"We just have to go out and play free and easy," USC Coach Jim McLaughlin said. "I like our chances against Long

Beach. They've steadied out and we've been improving."

Last season, the Trojans came in second place, losing to UCLA in four games in the championship match.

"(The UCLA Classic) is not really relevant," senior Jason Mulholland said. "It would be kind of nice to win, but it isn't a heavy game that counts."

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Water polo sinks against UCSD

Defending champion holds USC scoreless early and wins, 16-3

By Joanne Tran
Staff Writer

The USC women's water polo team suffered a major defeat on Thursday when it played the five-year defending champion, UC San Diego, at McDonald's Swim Stadium, losing 16-3.

The Tritons took the lead from the start, ending the first quarter with a lead of 4-0. The Women of Troy did not hold as strong a defensive game as hoped. Foul trouble caused four USC ejections in the first quarter.

Kristie Cissell made the first goal for the Women of Troy (10-8) with 21 seconds remaining in the second quarter. San Diego

played strongly, leading USC by a score of 9-1 at the half.

Cissell made another goal for the Women of Troy, to end the third quarter with a score of 12-2.

"She was the bright spot for our team," USC Coach Jovan Vavic said.

The Tritons, with control of the ball in the fourth quarter, scored two early goals.

The first goal came off a free throw, immediately followed by a steal, making the score 14-2. After failing at three goal attempts, USC finally scored after the ejection of a Triton player for a six-on-five opportunity.

With 1:13 left in the game, the Women of Troy scored for the final time to make it 14-3. San Diego scored twice more to close the scoring at 16-3.

"At some point, the Women of Troy will be a strong team, but right now they are not at the same level of play as we are," Triton Coach Denny Harper said. "I understand that (USC) is young and is only starting off as a first-year varsity team."

USC Coach Jovan Vavic agreed that the Women of Troy were overmatched.

"We were overpowered," Vavic said. "UCSD is much more experienced. They were like women among girls."

USC had seven goal opportunities that could not be converted. Goalkeeper Krista Milla came up with only two saves and the rest of the USC team did not respond, Vavic said.

"We were intimidated," Vavic said.



The USC women's water polo team was held to only three goals against defending national champion UC San Diego on Thursday.

Tennis: 15 straight wins at home against Stanford

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to perform well."

Cal (9-2, 2-1), winners of three in a row, is coming off a shutout victory over Brigham Young, 7-0.

The key matchup will be at the No. 1 singles position where Hansen, ranked No. 4 nationally, will meet No. 12 Casey Loule.

The Bears also bring the No. 9 doubles team in the nation of David Caldwell and Brint Norrow.

Due to the recent doubles slump, the Trojans do not have a doubles representative in the top 40.

"We definitely can't look past Cal," said Adam Peterson, the USC No. 2 singles player. "But Stanford is the big match of the weekend."

"This could mean our season if we win. Everyone will be up for (the weekend matches)."

The No. 1 Cardinal (16-0, 4-0) has not fared well at Marks Tennis Stadium as it has failed to come away with a victory in its last 15 attempts.

"Some of those years, they had a much better team than we did," USC Coach Dick Leach said. "I hope this isn't the year they break that (streak)."

Stanford's top singles performer, Jeff Salzenstein, is ranked No. 7 in the nation and its doubles team of Paul Goldstein and Scott Humphries is No. 2 in the country.

The Trojans edged Stanford in both meetings last season. The doubles point was the deciding factor as both matches concluded with scores of 4-3.

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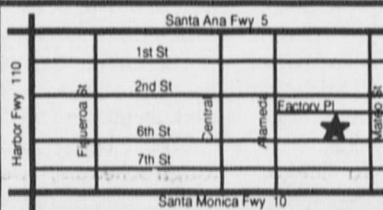
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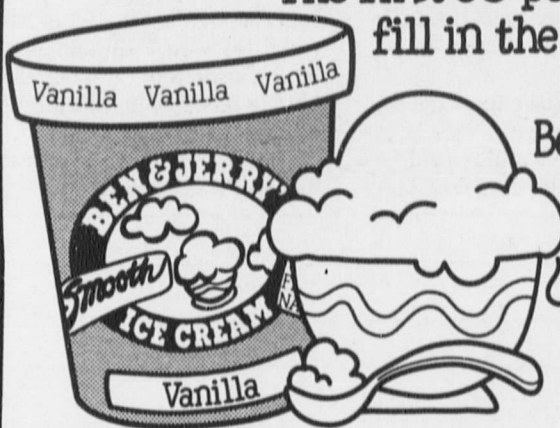
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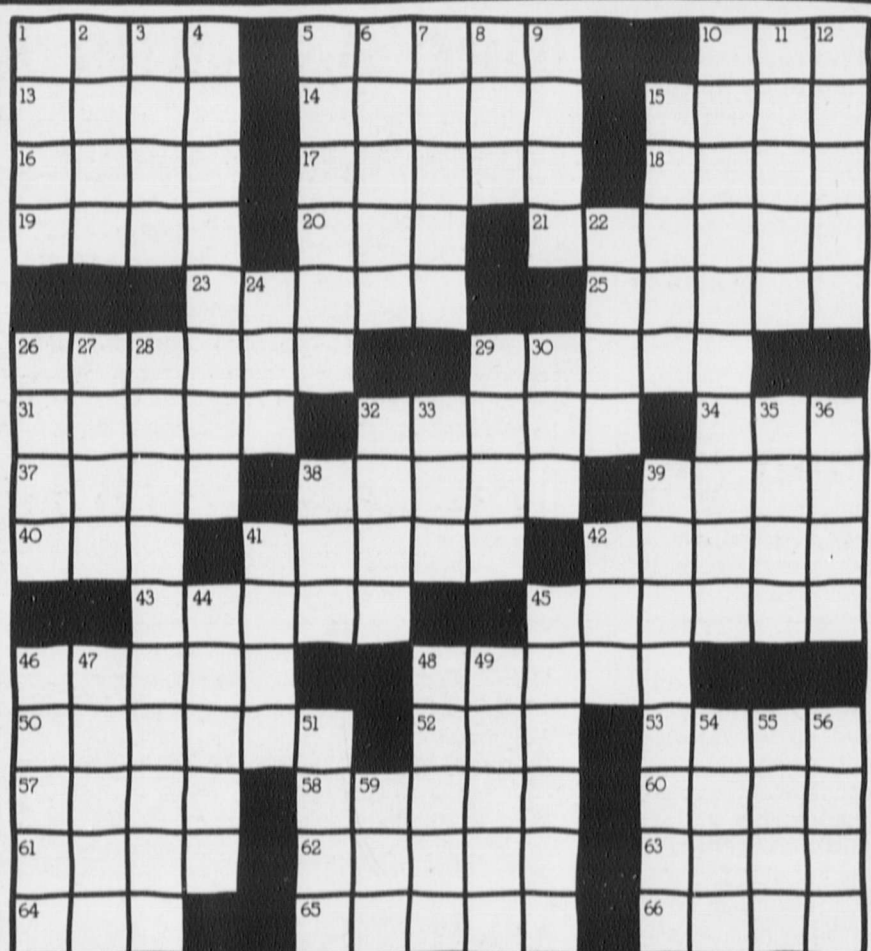
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The Trojans game against Cal State Northridge on Tuesday moved slowly, so when action happened on the field, many fans jumped at the chance to react.

Some, at that point, had gone too many times to the pavilion, so they were very hard not to hear, no matter how hard you tried.

One such person believed a strike on a Trojan became an E4 for the umpire, meaning "nowhere in the realm of possibility" of being a strike.

When other interested parties tried to quiet the loudmouth, he responded with more fervent greetings.

Thankfully, he left after the sixth inning, either that or he passed out.

The game was also a great way to see how quickly people's moods change if things don't go their way.

In the middle of the game, a Trojan baserunner was going for third and made it just as the ball did. The umpire who was going to make the call, fell between second and third in obvious pain.

Immediately, the fans in the stands gasped and wondered if he was okay, except for the three high schoolers in the front row who thought he should still make the call, even if he was writhing in pain.

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Sports

USC hopes to receive, not give

Baseball looks for payback against ASU

By Greg Keraghosian
Assistant Sports Editor

It may have been in mid-March, but the last time that the USC baseball team met Arizona State, it seemed more like the holiday season.

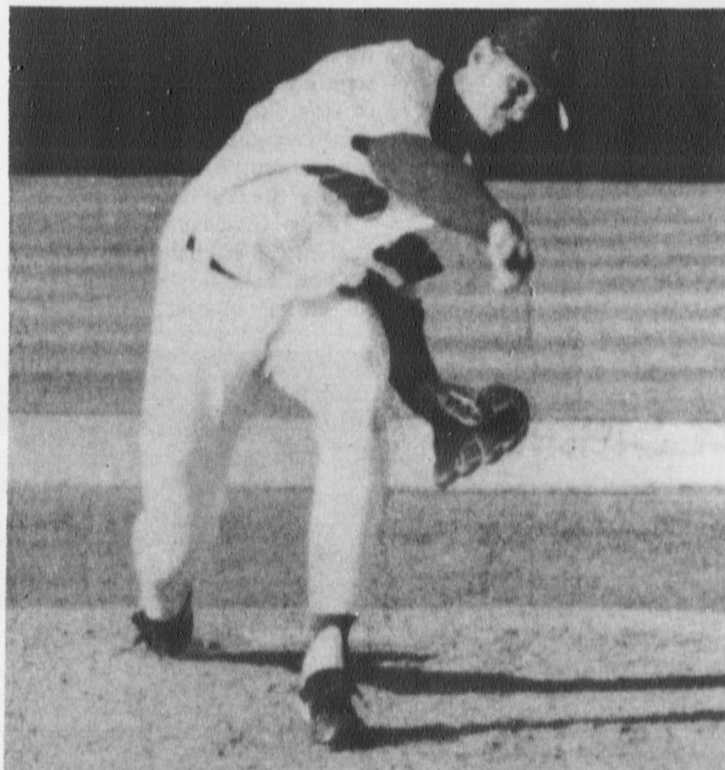
"We were ahead by two runs in the ninth inning and lost," USC Coach Mike Gillespie said. "So what did I see? I saw us be Santa Claus."

After being swept in three games by the No. 9 Sun Devils in Tempe, the No. 16 Trojans will hope to be in less of a giving mood when it opens the first of a three-game swing tonight at Dedeaux Field at 7.

In the last series, USC (23-15, 7-8 in the Pacific 10 Southern Division) held leads in each game, only to lose each one late. The first loss came in 15 innings, when Arizona State scored two runs with two out in the bottom of the ninth to extend the game.

"They were devastating losses at the time," Gillespie said. "And it wasn't one thing, it was a variety of things."

One factor that could help USC this time around will be the fact that it will be playing on its



Troy Witt / Daily Trojan
USC pitcher Ben Tucker will start in the second game of a three-game series against Arizona State on Saturday at Dedeaux Field.

home field. The Sun Devils (26-10, 8-6) have traditionally performed much better at offensively conducive Packard Stadium. They have won only two road games all season.

"Certainly, we would rather play anyone at home," Gillespie said. "They hit four home runs against us in that series, none of

which would be home runs here. It made a big difference."

Ironically, the two teams have gone in different directions since they last met. Arizona State, which had won eight of its first 10 division games at that point, has since lost four of seven Six-Pac games, with three of those losses coming away from

Packard. Once in first place, it is now in third, 1 1/2 games ahead of USC.

The Trojans, on the other hand, have won four of six Six-Pac games since the sweep, winning two of three games at then-first-place California last weekend.

Despite their recent troubles, the Sun Devils remain potent on offense. Seven of their starters are batting better than .300, including first baseman Robbie Kent (.351), shortstop Steve Goodell (.344) and third baseman Cody McKay (.336). Catcher Darren Troilo leads the team in runs batted in with a division-best 37.

"Of course, their offense is a concern," Gillespie said. "I think that one through nine, they are the most offensive team in the league."

On the mound tonight will be USC ace Randy Flores (6-2) versus Billy Neal (3-5). Flores, the Six-Pac Pitcher of the Week, will be looking for his third straight consecutive game win.

The pitching matchup for Saturday's game, which starts at 1 p.m., will be Ben Tucker (2-2) against Arizona State ace Kaipo Spencer (7-3). Spencer pitched a complete-game victory in the last series' finale against USC.

Sunday's game, also at 1, will pit USC's Brian Cooper (4-2) against Jason Bond (2-0).

Men's tennis faces unbeaten Stanford

Trojans won five straight, host Cal and Stanford

By Joseph Soqui
Staff Writer

A number of streaks will be on the line when the USC men's tennis team hosts California today and Stanford on Saturday, with both matches at Marks Tennis Stadium at 1:30 p.m.

The No. 9 Trojans (11-4, 3-2 in the Pacific 10 Conference) have won their last five matches, including a 5-2 victory over San Diego on Tuesday.

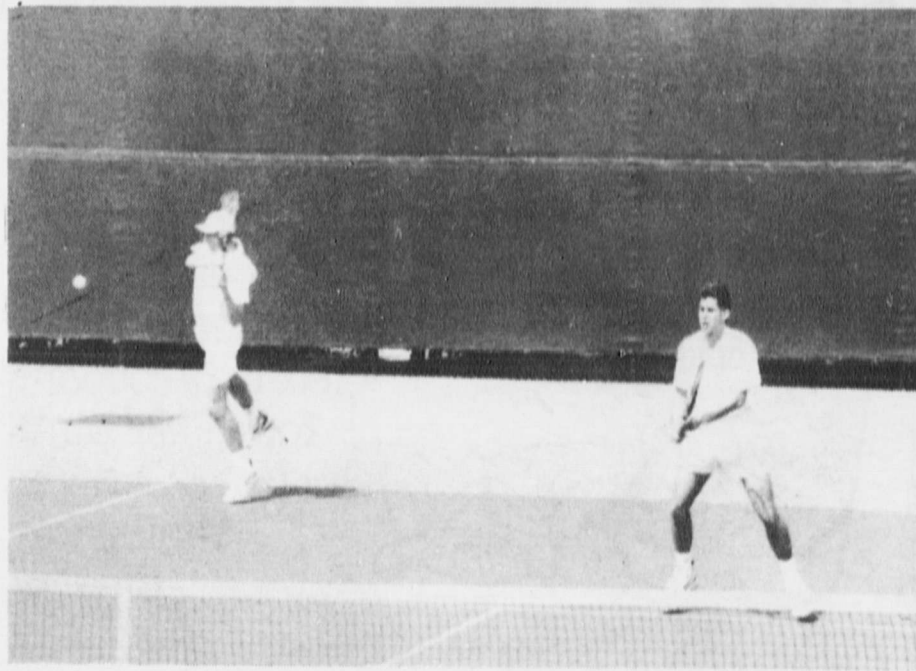
Singles play has carried USC throughout the season and it is key if USC is to come away with crucial Pac-10 victories.

"Hopefully we can continue our good play," said Brett Hansen, the No. 1 USC singles player. "We need two wins this weekend badly."

The Trojans have also received a resurgence in doubles play with sweeps over the Toreros and Washington.

"Doubles will definitely be the key this weekend," Lukas Hovorka said. "I think we have a chance to win both matches, but our doubles has

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Steven Hyde / Daily Trojan

The Trojans will face Cal today at 1:30 and No. 1 Stanford on Saturday at Marks Stadium.

Volleyball meets Long Beach State in Classic

By Marisol Alanis
Assistant Sports Editor

The USC men's volleyball team can take a break and rest from the worries of making the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation championships, but not a break from playing.

The Trojans, UCLA, Long Beach State and Cal State Northridge will all take part in the UCLA Classic at Pauley Pavilion.

The first match to take place will be between USC (9-9 overall) and the 49ers (16-7) at 5 tonight, followed by the

Bruins (20-1) and the Matadors (14-7) at 7.

In their previous meeting this season with Long Beach, the Trojans lost the match in four games.

The winners of those two matches will meet on Saturday in the championship match at 7:30 p.m., with the consolation round completed earlier at 4:30 p.m.

The Bruins have won the last four Classics, while USC has won five in the tournament's history.

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Spring practice comes to end with scrimmage

By Sean Kearns
Assistant Sports Editor

Heading out of the 1995 Cotton Bowl, the USC football team was labeled a team on the rise, a Rose Bowl favorite and a contender for the national title.

Four months later, the Trojans will be breaking spring camp with those type of expectations still intact.

"We've got a better team (than the last two years)," USC Coach John Robinson said. "We have more talent on our team. The mean talent base of this is up a lot from what it's been and that makes the competition bet-

ter every day so in the long run that has a big effect on it.

"The best teams that we had here that I've been around had spring practices that have been very competitive. There was pretty good competition between sides just about every day of the week, going best against best every day."

Camp wraps up on Saturday with a scrimmage and barbecue at Howard Jones Field from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The scrimmage begins at 11 a.m.

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